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FROM THE DESK OF PRESIDENT

***Steve Harrison***



Dear ILNA Members,

The dog days of summer are once again on the way. I just want to take a few minutes to sum up what ILNA is doing these days. We are forging forward to create an award-winning September convention with a new and improved format of different educational programming for all to learn about our great hobby. Please watch our website for more information about these wonderful programs that will be offered in conjunction with the show. ILNA continues to expand its reach through the successful Library Book Program as well as our National Numismatic Leaders organization. Through developing programs such as these, ILNA can help further the growth of our hobby.

The metals are continuing to go up and down with huge swings on a daily basis. The government continues to create new and interesting coins for our hobby. This builds a lot of attention from both new and old collectors.

As for new regulations affecting our hobby, there are active rumors, proposals and negotiations. The State of Illinois as well as the City of Chicago and other municipalities are all putting together groups to discuss how they will be handling the sales as well as the purchase of numismatics in their respective areas. No new regulations have been passed as of yet. I assure you that when any of these new rules and regulations are discussed, ILNA will be heard as an organization. With the help of organizations like ICTA, our marketplace is always being watched to make sure things are handled with due consideration.

In closing, ILNA is looking for a few new youth members to step forward to assist us in creating articles and fascinating stories for our *Digest*. We have many young members that want to be engaged by stories written from the words of other young collectors. If any dealers or members know of interested young people that might like to be involved with a statewide organization such as ILNA as a Youth Numismatist Ambassador, please contact us. We have also established a scholarship to the ANA educational Summer Seminars in Colorado for any youth member that can fill this spot in our organization.

I hope everyone has a wonderful summer as we prepare for our upcoming Fall Convention!

Sincerely,

Steve Harrison,

President of the Illinois Numismatic Association

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ILNA SECRETARY

***John Schikora***

Where has the time gone? It's June already and in three short months the 54th Annual ILNA Convention will be upon us. This show has always had a good response with public attendance and dealer turnout as well. In the past I have recommended to any dealers wishing to set up, contact Jim Paicz to reserve a table. The past shows have sold out a couple months in advance and this year is looking to do the same. Jim and his wife Joyce have worked hard over the past year executing improvements to make this year's show top notch. With improved security measures, added educational seminars and the Saturday youth auction, this September is gearing up to present another successful convention. Dealers who would like to secure a table at this year's show can reach Jim at 708-670-3469 or by e-mail at [paiczj@aol.com](mailto:paiczj@aol.com).

Speaking of coin conventions, Central States once again held their annual show at the Schaumburg Convention Center from April 24th – 27th. There was much activity on the bourse floor the three days I attended. Like last year ILNA had a club table promoting the organization and looking to increase membership. This year ILNA signed up 13 new members bringing current membership to 436. On behalf of ILNA, I would like to thank Central States for the complementary club booth and all ILNA members who donated their time staffing the booth during the convention.

At the spring board meeting, Jade Rare Coins announced they will pay for all new youth members who sign up at the ILNA convention this September. This has been a courtesy that Jade Rare Coins has extended over the past years and ILNA is thankful to Andrew Reiber and his company for promoting the hobby of numismatics to our young collectors by offering a free one year membership.

Five governor seats were up for reelection this year and no letters of intent were received by the May 19th deadline as posted in the Spring *Digest* President's Letter and Secretary's Message. Since no seats are being contested, ILNA will not have a balloted election this year. In 2014, four governor seats as well as the four officer's seats will be up for reelection. Besides being mentioned in the two letters listed above, a block advertisement will be added in the 2014 Spring *Digest* with all pertinent election information. This addition will be more visible to any members interested in running for a board seat.

In closing I would like to remind everyone that current information pertaining to ILNA is updated on a regular basis by visiting the website at [www.ilnaclub.info](http://www.ilnaclub.info).

As always, individuals with any questions concerning ILNA can e-mail me at [jschikora@att.net](mailto:jschikora@att.net) and I will be pleased to assist.

Thank you,  
John Schikora  
ILNA Secretary



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**6:00 PM - Buying & Selling Coins on e-Bay**

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**9:00 AM - ABC's of Coin Collecting for Young Numismatists**

**10:00 AM - Girl Scout Seminar**

**11:00 AM - Boy Scout Seminar**

**11:00 AM - Buying & Selling Coins on e-Bay**

**12:00 PM - What to Expect When Buying & Selling Precious Metals**

**1:00 PM - Youth Auction**

**1:00 PM - Dos and Don'ts of Coin Collecting**

**1:00 PM - How Collectors Educate Themselves**

**2:00 PM - ABC's of Coin Collecting**

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A NOTE FROM BOURSE CHAIRMAN

***Jim Paicz***



Hi Everyone,

This will be a short letter because we are busy finalizing our plans for the upcoming 54th Annual ILNA Coin and Currency Show.

First, Thank you to the Chicago Coin Club for stepping up with some great seminars for our 2013 Show. I can tell you we will have a great selection of seminars for collectors of all ages on Friday and Saturday.

As last year, we will host an ILNA Bourse Floor Meeting at 4:00 PM on Friday– Be there and let us know how we are doing!

Our 2013 Fall Convention theme celebrates the Centennial of Girl Scouting– and yes, we will have a merit badge seminar for the girls at 10:00 AM on Saturday. If you know any Girl Scouts, invite them to visit the show. We are also having our annual Boy Scout merit badge seminar at 11:00 AM.

The kids will get a chance to earn extra ILNA Bucks starting at 9:00 AM to prepare them for the Youth Auction at 1:00 PM.

All of the dealers– whether local or from out of town– came here to support our club. Please make sure you as members are there to thank them.

That is all for now as we prepare for our upcoming Fall Show.

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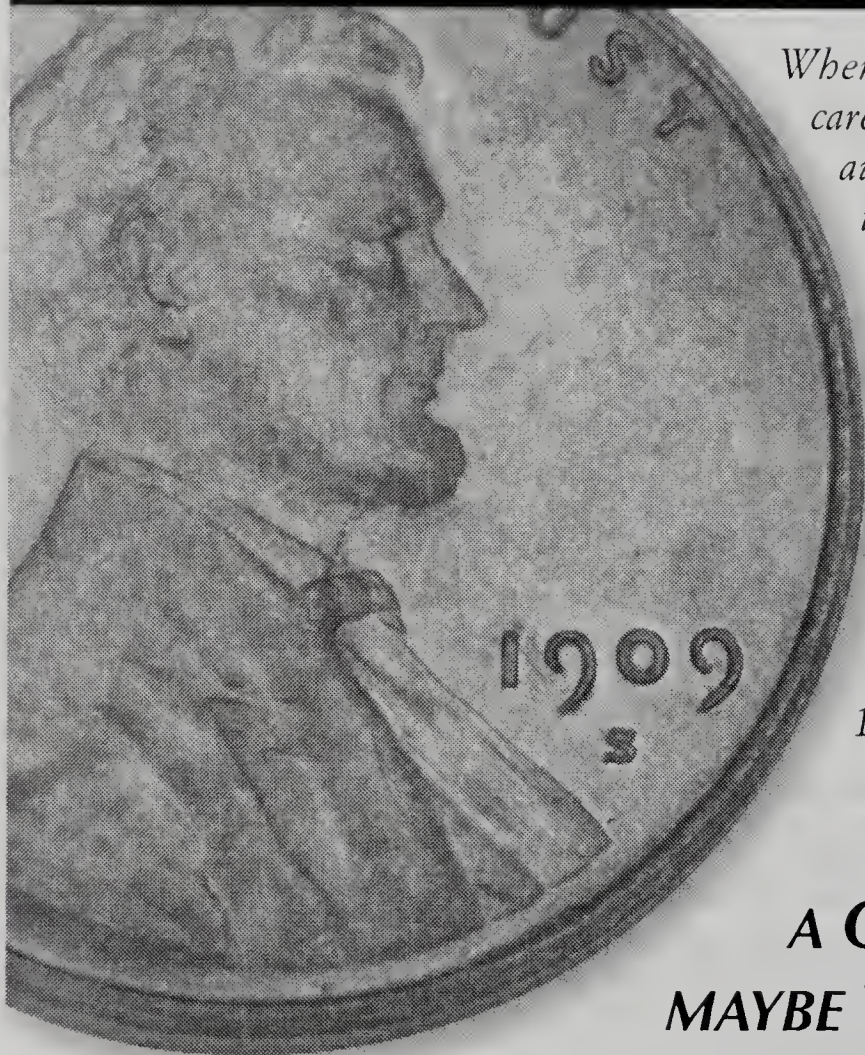
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## **BUILDING KNOWLEDGE: A Counterfeit 1909-S Lincoln Cent**

**FEATURE BY JOHN SCHIKORA**



*When buying coins we consider carefully the question of authenticity. Understanding the coining process and the study of genuine examples provide a foundation for counterfeit detection. This study by ILNA Secretary John Schikora tackles an important coin to Lincoln Cent collectors, the 1909-S. No, not the '09-S VDB: there are fake 1909-S Lincolns, too.*

**WOW, THAT'S  
A GOOD DEAL—  
MAYBE TOO GOOD...**

Don't be fooled: the 1909-S VDB is not the only Lincoln Cent from the San Francisco mint that year which was counterfeited. Recently I was at a coin shop conducting business and was offered a complete early Lincoln Cent book 1909-1940. Every piece was circulated ranging from good to very fine except for the 1909-S which was a pleasing Choice Brilliant Uncirculated Red/Brown. With a mintage of 1,825,000 the 1909-S was not saved like its VDB counterpart, which makes uncirculated pieces a bit more difficult to find. At first glance the coin looked almost too good. The strike and devices were too sharply struck, but I purchased the coin anyway knowing I had the option to return it.

The next day I was examining the 1909-S and it appeared the coin may not be a genuine piece. To confirm my suspicions, I checked some reference guides only to find numerous articles showing counterfeit diagnostic photos for the 1909-S VDB and 1909-S Indian Cent—however, not the 1909-S Lincoln Cent.

*"Counterfeit 1909-S" continued on page 12.*



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*"Counterfeit 1909-S" continued from page 10.*

Considering both coins are expensive pieces, this gives reason that both issues exist as forgeries. In *The Complete Guide to Lincoln Cents*, author David Lange stated,

"The 1909-S being overshadowed by the famous 1909-S VDB is nevertheless a semi key date and counterfeits do exist." In another publication, *The Lincoln Cent*, author Stephen Manley states, "As with the 1909-S VDB, it is advisable to look for signs of alteration with the 1909-S." Seeing there were warnings of possible counterfeits I needed definite signs of what to look for.

With justifiable attention given to the '09-S VDB, finding specifics on a straight '09-S fake was tough.

I decided to check in Walter Breen's *Encyclopedia of U.S. and Colonial Coins*. Listed under Breen 2057 were the following comments evident of a counterfeit 1909-S Lincoln Cent: "On Lincoln's jacket shoulder are a series of horizontal ridge lines or 'tooling marks' which are easily visible."

**FAKE:**

*Differing views of the tool*

*marks Breen reports on Lincoln's jacket shoulder.*

*Note also the raised edge on the rim which more closely resembles the edge of a proof rather than a business strike. The middle of the rim is marked by "LP record-like" grooves.*

*"Counterfeit 1909-S" continued on page 14.*



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*"Counterfeit 1909-S" continued from page 12.*



See the date above and notice the ridge lines in all the numerals. Again, more tooling marks. Another pickup point is the numeral 1 in the date. At the top point of the 1 is a raised metal dot. Raised metal dots are almost always the sign of a counterfeit coin in any series.

Further research led me to the American Numismatic Association's *Counterfeit Detection, a Reprint from the Numismatist*. According to the ANA, the mintmark style is wrong. The same 'S' mintmark was used on all Lincoln Cent production dies from 1909 thru 1916.



*Counterfeit*

*Genuine 'S'*



A genuine 'S' mintmark should be small and boxy with parallel serifs (above, right). The mintmark on the counterfeit is snakelike and flat where the top and bottom stick out and do not curve in to produce the parallel serifs (above, left). Also notice the lines of raised metal inside the curves (above, left).

*"Counterfeit 1909-S" continued on page 16*



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Lastly, the rim shows signs of more tooling marks which resemble grooves in a record and the coin has sharp squared off edges which resemble a proof coin (See illustrations, page 12). The ANA believes this is

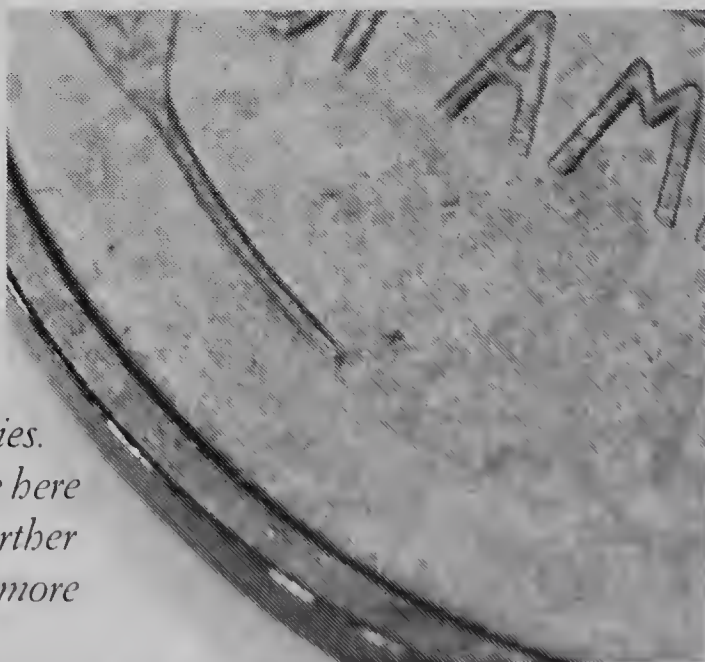
caused by the counterfeiter's use of higher striking pressure than used by the mint. Counterfeit Lincoln and Indian cents usually have this edge type. The high pressure is probably used to hide weaknesses in the die; however, it actually makes the counterfeit coin easier to detect.

While gathering information on this coin I discovered that thousands of 1909-S and 1909-S VDB pieces have been altered by adding an "S" mintmark to those genuine pieces. This is achieved by soldering the mintmark and whizzing the surrounding fields to remove any excess solder. According to the ANA this example shows the counterfeit die was made from a genuine 1909 cent.

Afterwards a manufactured "S" mintmark punch was used to punch the "S" into the die. Close up examination shows the mintmark flows into the surrounding fields which proves it is part of the coin.

Examination of the coin's reverse shows additional counterfeit diagnostics. The first is a large raised metal dot which is located above the bottom tip of the left wheat stem (at right).

*Raised stray dots of metal can be a warning sign of a counterfeit in any series. The reverse of the fake '09-S shows one here above the tip of the left wheat stalk. Further note the raised rim edge that would be more common to a proof Lincoln Cent.*

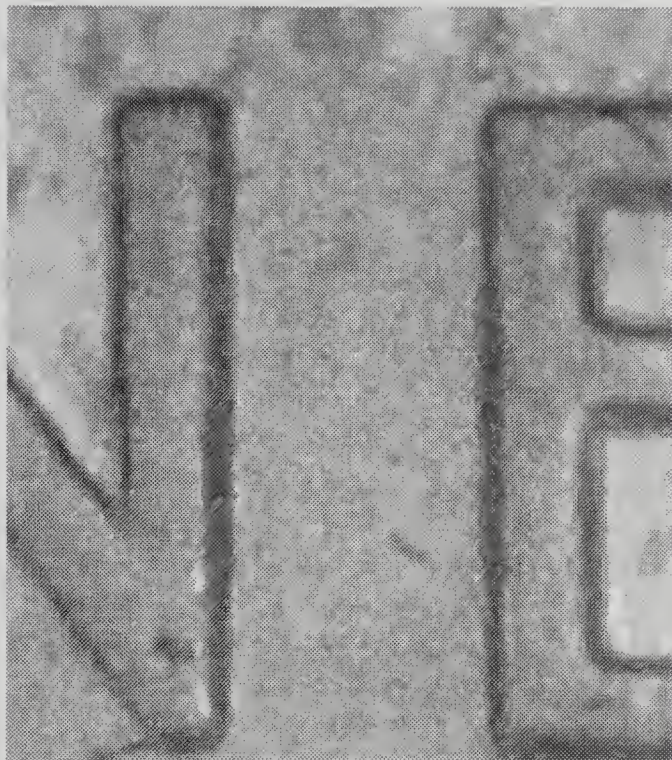




Next there are two additional areas of raised metal. One is a raised dot on the lower right corner of the letter 'N' in ONE. The other is a small lump of raised metal on the top left corner above the 'E' in ONE. Lastly, there is a raised metal line through the middle of the 'C' in CENT. It starts lower on the left side and slants up to the right.

Unless you are an expert on these coins it is best to buy a certified piece encapsulated by a professional third party grading service. Most collectors will buy the 1909-S VDB certified due to the high price tag; however, do

not let the lower priced non-VDB sway a sensible decision. If an uncirculated 1909-S Lincoln Cent is a coin you desire, buying a certified piece can save you the possibility of acquiring an uncertified specimen worth less than 10% of retail—or for that matter worthless like the one I purchased. Fortunately for me, I dealt with a reputable dealer who refunded my money and in the future I will know what to look for. Hopefully this information will be helpful to those wishing to add the 1909-S Lincoln Cent to their collection. \*



*John Schikora would like to extend special thanks to Bill Burd and the Library at Chicago Coin Company for research materials used to write this piece. John, I'd like to thank you also— this is some nice investigative work. I was privileged to have the opportunity to photograph this study. Thanks Again! Anyone looking to be published? We can provide a platform! Contact [ilnadigesteditor@aol.com](mailto:ilnadigesteditor@aol.com). –TMG (Ed.)*

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## Chicago Coin Club Commemorates 2013 ANA Convention with Lincoln Medal

FROM ANA VOLUNTEERS CHAIR CARL WOLF

*ILNA stands with the Chicago Coin Club in welcoming the ANA to Illinois for its 2013 World's Fair of Money at the Donald E. Stephens Convention Center, Rosemont, IL, from August 13-17, 2013.*

The Chicago Coin Club issued a medal to honor the return of the American Numismatic Association Convention to Chicago.

Made of nickel-silver with antique finish, the 2" x 1.375" x .125" medal prominently features "Standing Lincoln" a statue by Augustus Saint-Gaudens (1848-1907) placed in Chicago's Lincoln Park at North Dearborn Parkway. CHICAGO COIN CLUB reads vertically. The opposite side reads AMERICAN NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION CONVENTION, CHICAGO 2013.

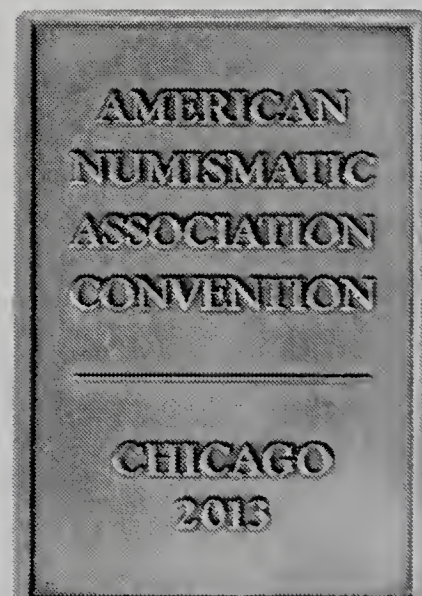
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Only 250 of these unique nickel-silver medals were minted at IMC, Bloomington, Indiana.

A limited supply of similar bronze medals (only 250 struck) from the 2011 convention are also available for \$20 (add \$3 each if ordering by mail).

At the August 13-17 World's Fair of Money in Chicago, Money Talks Chairman Dale Lukanich will present every presenter at the Money Talks program with an individually engraved medal attached to a royal blue neck ribbon. The medals are a gesture of appreciation from the members of the Chicago Coin Club.

*"Commemorative Lincoln Medal" continued on page 20.*





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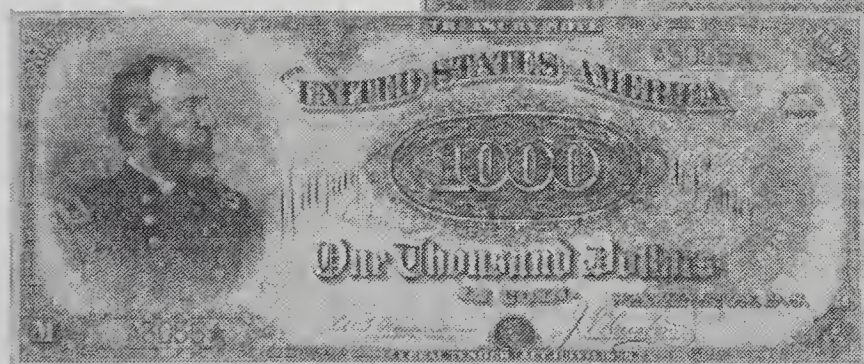
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*"Commemorative Lincoln Medal" continued from page 18.*

With the same dimensions and obverse design as the Lincoln Medal being offered to collectors, the presenter medal's opposite side reads MONEY TALKS PRESENTER (Engraved Name) AMERICAN NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION CONVENTION CHICAGO 2013.

When convention goers see someone wearing this medal, they are encouraged to thank them for taking the time to put together an educational program.

Only 50 of these unique medals were minted at IMC, Bloomington, Indiana. They are not for sale. The Chicago Coin Club presented speakers at the 2011 Convention with a similar medal in antique bronze with a maroon neck ribbon.

Prospective speakers who wish to appear on the Money Talks program are encouraged to make a presentation proposal to the ANA Education Department. The form can be downloaded at [www.worldsfairsofmoney.com/numismatic-events/money-talks.aspx](http://www.worldsfairsofmoney.com/numismatic-events/money-talks.aspx). The submission deadline is June 5, 2013.\* After the ANA finalizes the agenda, the Chicago Coin Club will send the medals to the engraver for personalization. \*

*\***Editor's Note:** Although the deadline will pass at the time of publication, this is something for talented numismatists seeking to share their knowledge thru numismatics to keep in mind for next year's ANA World's Fair of Money. To volunteer help for the 2013 ANA Convention, Contact Carl Wolf: [carlwolfco@msn.com](mailto:carlwolfco@msn.com).*

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## **ANA SEEKS AMBASSADORS FOR AUGUST WORLD'S FAIR OF MONEY**

**AN OPEN INVITATION TO ILNA MEMBERS**

**FROM ANA VOLUNTEERS CHAIR CARL WOLF**

To: All Illinois Numismatic Association Members

On August 13-17, 2013 collectors from all over the world will meet in Chicago and take in the many activities at the American Numismatic Association Convention. This is America's premier and national show for coin and currency collectors. If you have never attended this event, then you are in for an exciting time!

The Chicago Coin Club is hosting this great event and for the past year key members began to meet and take on various leadership roles while interfacing with the ANA staff.

Now is the time to finalize the list of general volunteers to serve as greeters, ambassadors, ushers, guides, etc. Very little training is needed, no heavy lifting is required and most work shifts will be about 3-4 hours. We already have 70+ volunteers, but could use more.

Please join our group. This is a great time to make new friends and enjoy the company of other coin club volunteers. This is also a good way to share with others the fun and excitement you experienced over the years. Before and after work, you can walk the bourse floor or attend the many free educational events every day. Every specialty club meets at this convention and visitors are always welcome.

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## Anyone Want to Go to Colorado for Summer Vacation?

BUILDING YOUTH NUMISMATICS BY TIM GUEST



Does anyone out there want to go to Colorado for summer vacation? Have a chance to see major league baseball in another stadium? See the world at 14,000 feet from the summit of the famed Pikes Peak? Or if high places are not for you, how about exploring Manitou Grand Caverns Cave of the Winds or descending 1000 feet inside the depths of a mountain gold mine? As a receiver of a scholarship to the American Numismatic Association (ANA) Summer Seminars in Colorado Springs, Colorado, ILNA Youth Numismatist Ambassador Nathaniel Murphy chose to enjoy the view from the top when he took the Cog Railway to the summit of Pikes Peak.

If you think it sounds like a good time, it is. For many people of all ages, the ANA Seminars can be a life-changing event. According to statistics from the ANA, more than 70 percent of all attendees return for another week packed with excitement, exploration and the sharing of knowledge thru numismatics. Nathaniel described the trip to Colorado as “a week long camp dedicated to coins... people from all over the world came [400 or so including all the youth and adults] to learn about coins.”

Skills Nathaniel developed at the Seminar on Counterfeit Detection were applied to earn an award for Best Exhibitor of the 2011 ILNA Fall Convention. His efforts make him a numismatic pioneer of sorts: He is the first Youth Numismatist Ambassador for the Illinois Numismatic Association. Through his ILNA Fall Convention exhibits and his stories written here in the *ILNA Coin Digest*, Nate has done a great job sharing our hobby to the benefit of others around him. But there is no reason why as an ILNA youth numismatist— a member of this organization— you can't be a part of that as well.

Every year, ILNA makes scholarships available to its youth numismatists, but sadly, they often go unclaimed. This year's scholarship opportunity— an award of \$500 towards travel, rooming and/or ANA Seminar costs— will be given to any young ILNA member willing to serve one year as ILNA Youth Numismatist (YN) Ambassador. This is an outstanding chance to have your voice heard in a way that could change the hobby of coin and currency collecting for the better. Opportunities to work with others include participating in ILNA meetings and helping out with our Annual Fall Convention and Youth Auction. As part of a newly discovered voice in numismatics, the YN Ambassador will be writing their own two page section in the *ILNA Coin Digest* four times a year. The YN Ambassador position can be the spring board into adult life for anyone who wants to become either a coin dealer, professional writer or journalist.

ILNA Board President Steve Harrison says it the best: “We have many young members that want to be engaged by stories written from the words of other young collectors.” You can be that special person— Someone will step up. Will it be YOU? For more information, contact Steve Harrison at [kedziekoin@aol.com](mailto:kedziekoin@aol.com).





## STILL HUNGRY FOR MORGAN DOLLARS?

BY MARK BENVENUTO



The price of silver is probably not going to bottom out on the world's commodity markets any time soon, despite the platitudes of spin doctors and accusations of market manipulation. Because of this, the days of picking up cheap silver dollars from dealer bargain bins are pretty much behind us. Yet almost all we collectors still have a love affair with big, silver coins. In a situation like this, what's a Morgan dollar lover to do? Well, here's a four-prong plan of attack:

**1** Buy excellent, but common date Morgan dollars.

It's a fact any collector knows: There are some very common Morgan dollars. Coins were often made, plopped into bank vaults and not used. Plenty sat in bank vaults for decades never seeing the light of day or a real hand-to-hand transaction. Coins like the 1880-S and the 1881-S are very common because they were housed in such vaults for a remarkably long time.

But precisely because many of the Morgan dollars were not used in their day, they are still collectible for much less than the proverbial king's ransom. Because we are collectors, we like to try to assemble full sets of any kind of coin. That's tough here because the series is big— and the expensive coins can quickly become very expensive indeed. But if you look through any price list and focus just on the dates and mint marks that are common, you can assemble a good looking collection without flattening your wallet.

**2** Buy good looking, certified Morgan dollars, whether they are common date pieces or not.

This is always a fun challenge. Morgan dollars have been one of the two flagship coins for the third party grading services— all the way back to the 1980's when such companies really came into existence. The other has been, arguably, the Walking Liberty half dollar. Prior to that time, people bought and sold silver dollars based on descriptions such as: "brilliant surfaces," or "light, pleasing toning." By putting a number on a silver dollar— MS-64 versus MS-65— suddenly, there were large price differences based on small point differences. That meant it was worth submitting a quantity of dollars in the hopes that one or more would come back with a coveted high grade. But many came back with lower grades— low enough that there was no real premium on them. The end result? Many encapsulated (slabbed) Morgan dollars with grades like MS-64, MS-63, or even MS-62 that are well housed, yet really not of a very high value.

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*"Morgan Dollars" continued from page 24.*

Trying to assemble a set of slabbed Morgan dollars without crème de la crème grades can be both fun and satisfying. The common varieties of the 1878 can be had for less than \$100 in grades such as MS-62 and they won't be dogs when it comes to eye appeal. Similarly graded common pieces may be available for as low as \$60. The last hurrah of the series— the three different dollars issued in 1921— are also extremely inexpensive, coming in at about \$50 each in a low mint state grades. All in all, slabbed Morgan dollars represent a type of dollar collecting that many overlook, simply because they consider it costly. We see here that it is not necessarily so.

**3** Try for 'S' or 'CC' Morgans.

Too often, the perception is that these two mintmarks always equate with high prices. Look carefully through any decent price list. There are some San Francisco mint marks that do not cost a fortune. A person could have fun looking for them exclusively.

Likewise, even though there are some very expensive Morgan dollars sporting the mint mark of Carson City, Nevada, a few dates such as the 1882-CC, 1883-CC, and 1884-CC aren't all that costly. A person could have fun finding good looking pieces with these dates to add to any growing collection.

**4** Try to make a date run, even if you can't land any 'S' or 'CC' Morgans.

If you are a frugal collector (hey, there's no need to deny it— this author joined that club years ago), you can still put together a date run, although it might be shy of the 'S' and 'CC' mint marks we just mentioned. Most years from 1878 to 1904, and again in 1921, saw at least one mint with serious Morgan dollar production. Start by looking through any reference book for the dates and mint marks listing more than five million minted. Chances are that even with any and all of the silver melts that have occurred since then, there are still a healthy number of these common date coins in existence. Landing one good looking piece from each year is not an impossible or costly task.

We can all still do this!

If you have been holding your breath waiting for the price of silver metal to drop, well, you probably look rather purple by now. Exhale. Realize that the price will never drop back to \$4 per ounce and see what fun you still might be able to have in the Morgan dollar series. As we've just seen, there's plenty from which to choose. \*



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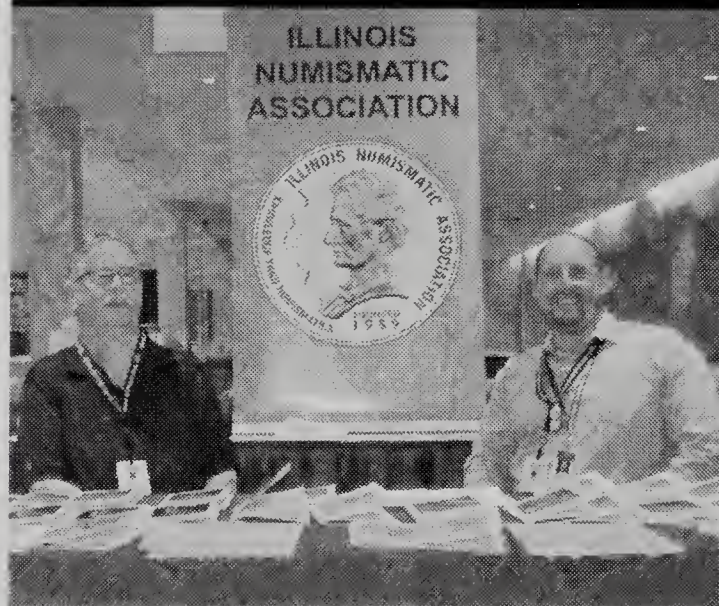
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*This photo, taken by ILNA member John Wilson at the Central States Numismatic Society show in Schaumburg this spring, features ILNA Board member Kevin Timmons and President Steve Harrison. Although the club booth was staffed for the three day convention, ILNA would still welcome club members who would give an hour or two during the upcoming ANA convention this August and the ILNA convention this September.*

On page 22 of this *Digest*, Carl Wolf details how ILNA members can partner with the Chicago Coin Club as ANA Ambassadors for the annual World's Fair of Money coming this August. Just a month later our organization will be hosting its marquis fall event: ILNA's 54th Annual Coin and Currency Show. This year's theme celebrates the Centennial of the Girl Scouts of America and emphasizes involving our youth numismatists and families in gaining Knowledge Thru Numismatics.

The Chicago Coin Club will be partnering with ILNA— as they did in our last fall show— to offer quality educational seminars designed to inform and challenge beginning, intermediate and advanced collectors alike. As a volunteer, it's not just about the ample opportunities to help someone else enjoy the show. It can also be about building relationships, growing business contacts and refining your skills while helping someone else enjoy the show. As of this writing, there will be thirteen meetings and seminars hosted at the show including: Friday's ILNA General Meeting, What to Expect When Buying and Selling Precious Metals, Buying and Selling Coins on e-Bay, the ABC's of Coin Collecting for Young Numismatists, Girl and Boy Scout Coin Collecting Merit Badge Seminars, Do's and Don'ts of Coin Collecting, How Collectors Educate Themselves as well as the Youth Auction Saturday.\* Something for everyone.

Jim and Joyce Paicz are hard at work with ILNA's Board of Governors and our friends from the Chicago Coin Club to make this year's show better than ever before. It is the main event we promote each year. As our valued membership, won't you please consider in what ways you might be able to help us to be better? It could be good for someone else. It could be good for you. Please give it a try. Contact Jim or Joyce at 708-670-3469 or by e-mail at [paiczj@aol.com](mailto:paiczj@aol.com). Our organization would greatly appreciate any and all volunteers.

*\* For full 54th Annual Coin and Currency Show seminar list, see ad page 8.*





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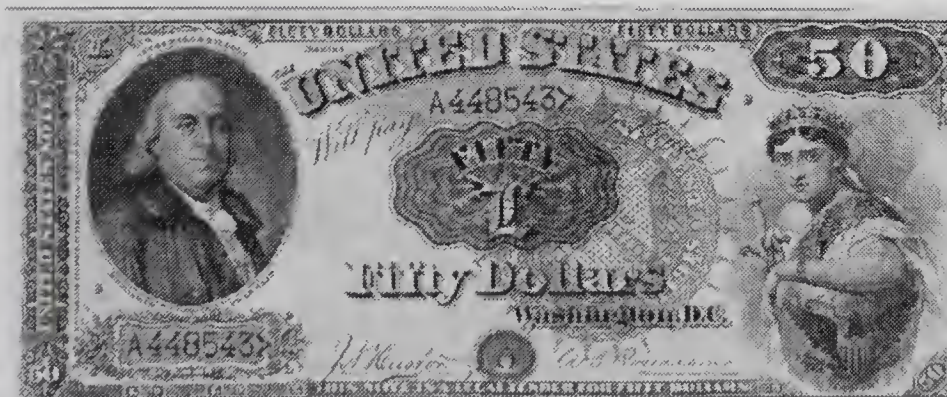
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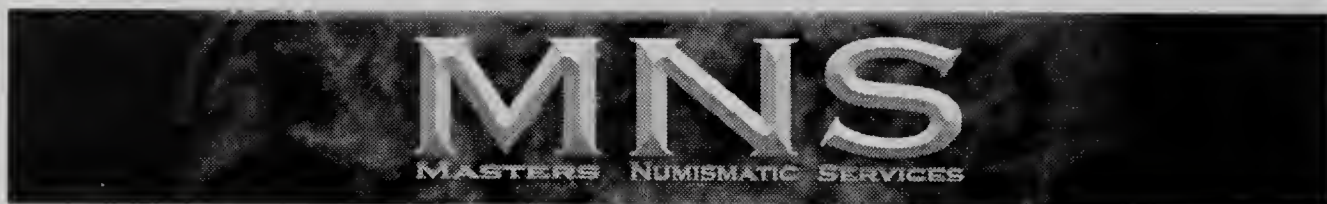
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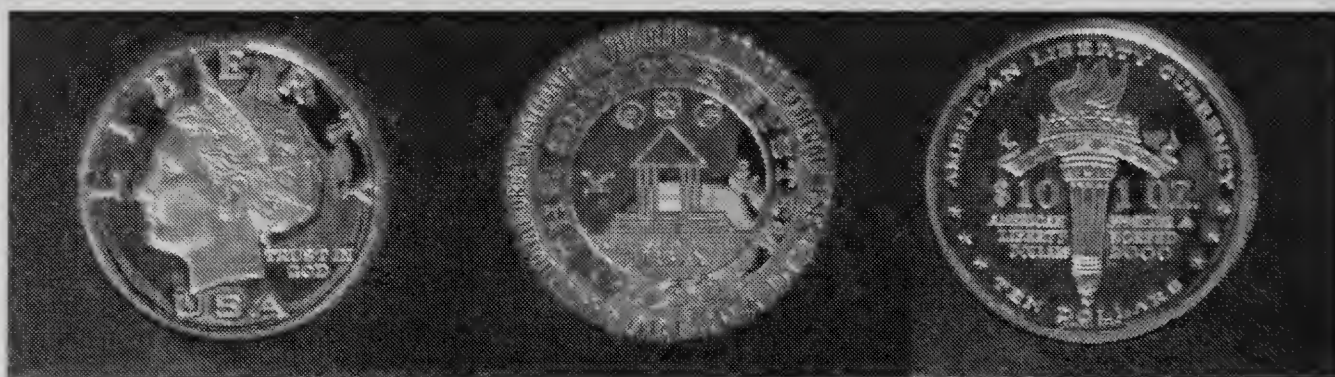
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# **Board Meeting Minutes**

**YOUR ILNA COIN CLUB BUSINESS**

**FROM ILNA SECRETARY JOHN SCHIKORA**

*The ILNA Spring, 2013 Board Meeting was held at the Holiday Inn, Itasca, Illinois on Sunday, May 19th, 2013.*

## **ROLL CALL**

President Steve Harrison called the meeting to order at 3:00pm. Also in attendance were Vice President Andrew Reiber, Secretary John Schikora, Treasurer Bill Burd, Chairman of the Board Steve Butler, Governors Jim Paicz, Joyce Paicz, Bruce Perdue, Kevin Timmons and Richard Prouty. Tim Guest arrived at 3:07pm. Brian Jaskierski and Brian Heil each had an excused absence. There was one guest present Gladys Rodriguez.

## **PRESIDENT'S REPORT**

Steve Harrison reported he and Andrew Reiber attended the Central States club breakfast with about 40 other clubs in attendance. ILNA delivered a presentation of the Nation Numismatic Leaders. Harrison also attended the Central States board meeting requesting funds to help the National Numismatic Leaders and is currently waiting for a reply. Harrison also stated he has been in contact with Quentin Burrows who is ILNA's retained legal council. He reported Mr. Burrows is handling current ILNA legal matters professional and punctually.

## **SECRETARY'S REPORT**

Steve Harrison asked if all board members read the Winter Minutes which were e-mailed on February 23rd. After discussion, Andrew Reiber made a motion to accept the minutes as read, seconded by Richard Prouty, passed unanimously. John Schikora reported no letters of intent to run for a governors position in this years election were received by the May 19th deadline as posted in the Spring 2013 *Digest*. Therefore, no balloted election will be held.

## **TREASURER'S REPORT**

Bill Burd reported ILNA had a January 1st balance of \$91,886.00 with revenue of \$5034.00 and expenses of \$4826.00 leaving an April 30th balance of \$92,094.00. Andrew Reiber made a motion to accept the report as read, seconded by Bruce Perdue, passed unanimously. It was also reported that on file with the State of Illinois, ILNA is incorporated as a 501C Not for Profit Organization.

## **DIGEST EDITOR'S REPORT**

Tim Guest reported he started the Summer *Digest* on April 30th. Guest received two press releases from Chicago Coin Club Secretary Carl Wolf. The first is a Lincoln Medal commemorating the 2013 American Numismatic Association Convention. The second is a medal honoring the "Money Talks" seminars. Mr. Wolf asked if ILNA would make mention in the *Digest* and Guest asked to dedicate at most two pages. The page request was granted.

## **LIBRARY BOOK REPORT**

Bill Burd stated three additional book titles at 48 copies each need to be ordered to complete the fall mailing. The Red Book will be ordered along with a book on

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currency and a coin encyclopedia. Bruce Perdue informed the board that ILNA, being a member of Central States is entitled to a reimbursement up to \$500.00 from Central States for any books purchased and distributed free of charge for educational purposes. After discussion Andrew Reiber made a motion to have Steve Harrison apply for the matching funds request, seconded by Bruce Perdue, passed by all except Joyce Paicz who objected and Jim Paicz who abstained.

### **ADVERTISING REPORT**

Kevin Timmons reported that promotional items for distribution at the ILNA table during the ANA convention will be looked into by contacting Carl Wolf. Joyce Paicz offered to handle the internet calendar advertising with Numismatic News. Timmons also stated he discussed with Jim Paicz how to handle all other internet advertising.

### **BOURSE CHAIRMAN'S REPORT**

Jim Paicz stated the Las Vegas show which has increased its advertising will be running against ILNA this year. Paicz believes some dealers will be lost due to the scheduling conflict between the two shows. The show registration form will be changed this year which will include a disclaimer that allows attendees to be removed if violating show policy. Registrants will also mention how they heard about the show. Post card mailing for the show is currently at a cost of \$1000.00. To cut costs, the use of e-mailing announcements is being looked into. Bruce Perdue recommended ILNA join Constant Contact for e-mail delivery. The first 90 days are free; afterwards, fees are charged for the number of mailings sent out. Any address drop offs will be reported by e-mail and new addresses will have to be added by ILNA. Joyce Paicz said she would look into Constant Contact. New table prices for the 2014 show were announced. Four table premium booths \$1100, three table premium booths \$875, front corner 6'x8' \$575, rear corner 6'x8' \$550, corner 6'x6' \$500, standard 9' \$375 and standard 6' \$250. Andrew Reiber made a motion to accept the new table prices, seconded by Bill Burd, passed by all except for Tim Guest who abstained. A dealer breakfast or dinner was discussed and Joyce Paicz offered to look into pricing.

### **MEMBERSHIP UPDATE**

Joyce Paicz reported thirteen new members signed up at Central States which brings the current membership to 436. Members are 169 regular, 125 youth, 114 life and 29 club. For the ILNA show it was agreed only paid members are allowed a dealer badge. Andrew Reiber announced Jade Rare Coins will once again pay for all youth members who sign up at this year's annual show. A suggestion was made to increase the ILNA life membership from \$150 to \$200. After discussion Bill Burd made a motion to increase life membership to \$200, seconded by Bruce Perdue, passed unanimously.

### **WEBMASTER'S REPORT**

Bruce Perdue stated he would like to discuss with Matt Coyle having access to allow for minor maintenance changes on the website. Once contact is made with Mr. Coyle a vote will be taken. Perdue also recommended renewing the ILNA domain name under the clubs name for a period of twenty years due to rising costs. ILNA is currently renewed through 12/23/2015. He also recommended registering the ILNA logo.

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## YOUTH AMBASSADOR

ILNA is looking to appoint a new youth ambassador. The board discussed offering a \$500 ANA scholarship to any youth member who serves the position and fulfills the obligations required. The award would be presented after fulfilling a one year obligation. Andrew Reiber made a motion to offer the ANA award, seconded by Bruce Perdue, passed unanimously. Joyce Paicz recommended this offer be presented in every *Digest* issue.

## NATIONAL NUMISMATIC LEADERS

Andrew Reiber presented to the board new changes on the website. Applications can be printed on line and mailed with payment. Fees are \$100 for Full Membership which is for large clubs and \$25 for Associate Membership which is for smaller clubs.

## OLD BUSINESS

Steve Harrison made a request of ILNA members to consider contributing some time working with ILNA and the Chicago Coin Club at the ANA convention in August. ILNA is looking into e-mailing members with addresses on hand.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

Steve Harrison asked the board to have ILNA become a member of the Industry Council for Tangible Assets (ICTA). ICTA is the national trade association for the rare coin, currency and precious metals industry. They provide many services for these trades including working with legislation to prevent laws and regulations from being enforced that would be excessively burdensome or interfere with the ability to conduct business. After discussion Tim Guest made a motion for ILNA to contribute \$500 in becoming a member of ICTA, seconded by John Schikora, passed unanimously. Jim Paicz read a proposal from Gary Knaus of Knaus and Associates concerning the Anti Money Laundering Compliance Program. Mr. Knaus would offer a \$50 rebate to any ILNA dealer member who purchases this program. The board decided to allow Mr. Knaus to present this offer to dealers at the September convention by way of a seminar. ILNA will in no way receive any gratuity from Knaus and Associates or any dealers who purchase this program.

## ADJOURNMENT

At 5:04pm Bruce Perdue made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Jim Paicz, passed unanimously. \*

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## LOCAL SHOWS

**June 13-15, (Thur-Sat), Greater Chicago Coin, Currency and Collectible Show**— Tinley Park, IL. Location: Holiday Inn, Tinley Park Convention Center, 18451 Convention Center Rd., Tinley Park, IL 60477. 250 Dealer Tables starting at only \$250, Early Bird Badges: \$50. Admission: Free. Dealers Contact: Bourse Chairman Jim Paicz, P.O. Box 628, Richton Park, IL 60471. Email: paiczj@aol.com or Phone 708-670-3469.

**June 30, (Sunday) Peotone Coin & Currency Show**, 9 AM to 3 PM Location: Will County Fair Grounds (The Atrium) 710 West St., Peotone, IL 60468 Tables: 50 Admission: Free, Contact: Jim Paicz, PO Box 628, Richton Park, IL 60471. Phone: 708-670-3469.

**July 28, (Sunday) Central Illinois Numismatic Association Annual Summer Show**— Location: Northfield Center I, Northfield Drive and Dirksen Parkway (3280 Northfield Drive) Springfield, IL. Tables: 70, Fee: \$60, Admission: \$1 C.I.N.A. Members and children 16 and under are free. Contact Steve Soltys at (217) 793-2178.

**September 22 (Sunday), Tazewell Numismatic Society 53rd Annual Coin Show**, 9 AM to 3 PM, Pekin, IL. Location: Pekin Moose Lodge, 2605 Broadway Rd., Pekin, IL. Tables: 60, Fee: \$50, Admission: Free. Contact: Steve Rassi, PO Box 696, Pekin, IL, 61554. Phone: (309) 263-0739.

**September 1, (Sunday) Peotone Coin & Currency Show**, 9 AM to 3 PM Location: Will County Fair Grounds (The Atrium) 710 West St., Peotone, IL 60468 Tables: 50 Admission: Free, Contact: Jim Paicz, PO Box 628, Richton Park, IL 60471 Phone: 708-670-3469.

**September 12-14, ILNA's 54th Annual Coin and Currency Show**— Tinley Park, IL. Location: Holiday Inn - Tinley Park Convention Center, 18501 S. Harlem Ave., Tinley Park, IL 60477. 220 Dealer Tables starting at only \$225, Early Bird Badges: \$50. Admission: Free. Informational Seminars and Youth Auction to be held Saturday, September 14th. Dealers Contact: Bourse Chairman Jim Paicz, P.O. Box 628, Richton Park, IL 60471. Email: paiczj@aol.com or Phone 708-670-3469. Visit Illinois Numismatic Association website for updates at [www.ilnaclub.info](http://www.ilnaclub.info).

**October 6 (Sunday), Metro East Coin & Currency Club Show**— Location: American Legion Hall, 1022 Vandalia Ave. (Route 159), Collinsville, IL. 9 A.M. to 3 P.M. Contact: Johnny Kicklighter, PO Box 23, Belleville IL 62222-0023. Phone: 618-257-9079. E-mail: johnnywkick@gmail.com.

**October 13 (Sunday), Fairfield Coin Club 43rd Annual Coin Show**— Fairfield, IL from 9AM to 4PM. Location: North Side Grade School, 806 North First Street Fairfield, IL, 62837. Tables: \$25; Admission is free. 20 dealers to serve you. Club awards presentation, hourly door prizes and raffle drawing. Public and youth auctions held in conjunction with the show. For more information, contact Roberta Marshel, Treasurer/Secretary, (618)-599-2393, or [fairfieldcoinclub@gmail.com](mailto:fairfieldcoinclub@gmail.com).

**October 27 (Sunday), Indian Hill Coin Club Coin Show**— Gurnee, IL. Location: American Legion Post 771, 749 Milwaukee Ave., Gurnee, IL. 9 A.M. to 3 P.M. Tables: 21. Admission: Free. Contact: Mike Hanninen, 2400 Horeb Ave., Zion, IL 60099. Phone: (847) 872-2725. E-mail: [mikehanninen@aol.com](mailto:mikehanninen@aol.com).

**November 3 (Sunday), Champaign-Urbana Coin and Currency Club Annual Show**, Location: Urbana Civic Center, 108 Water St., Urbana, IL. 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tables: 32. Admission: Free. Contact: Clyde Sweet, PO Box 1021, Champaign, IL 61824. Phone: 217-840-2526. E-mail: [cwsweet3@msn.com](mailto:cwsweet3@msn.com).



## LOCAL SHOWS

**November 3, (Sunday) Peotone Coin & Currency Show**, 9 AM to 3 PM Location: Will County Fair Grounds (The Atrium) 710 West St., Peotone, IL 60468 Tables: 50 Admission: Free, Contact: Jim Paicz, PO Box 628, Richton Park, IL 60471 Phone: 708-670-3469.

**November 10 (Sunday), Dixon Coin Club Annual Coin Show**— Location: 1560 Franklin Grove Rd. (IL Rte 38), Dixon, IL 61021. 50 Tables, Fee: \$45 for the 1st, \$25 ea. additional; Tables are 6 Ft., Dealer Setup: 7AM. Admission is free 9AM to 4PM. Contact Jerry Bartlett, 27015 Maple Dr., Sterling, IL 61081. Phone: (815) 535-8427, Email: jbartlett@thewisp.net.

**November 17 (Sunday), Tazewell Numismatic Society 20th Holiday Coin Show**, 9 AM to 3 PM, Pekin, IL. Location: Pekin Moose Lodge, 2605 Broadway Rd., Pekin, IL. Tables: 60, Fee: \$50, Admission: Free. Contact: Steve Rassi, PO Box 696, Pekin, IL, 61554. Phone: (309) 263-0739.

**November 21-24, Professional Currency Dealers Association's 28th Annual National Coin and Currency Convention**— Location: Crowne Plaza Chicago O'Hare, 5440 North River Road, Rosemont, IL 60018. 68 Booths, priced from \$575-\$780. Early Birds: \$75 November 21, 1PM-6PM. Complimentary Public Admission Friday-Saturday-Sunday. Lyn Knight Auction. Bourse Chairman: Kevin Foley, P.O. Box 573. Milwaukee, WI 53201. E-mail: kfoley2@wi.rr.com or Phone: (414) 807-0116. Visit PCDA website for more complete information. [www.pcdaonline.com](http://www.pcdaonline.com). \*

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## LOCAL CLUBS

**Central Illinois Numismatic Association.** Meetings: Second Thursday of each month except August and December, 7:00 P.M. at the Knights of Columbus Hall, North Council #4175, 2801 West St., Springfield, IL. Information: Jay Peniwell, 4 Oak Ridge Dr. Decatur, IL. 62521. Phone 217-428-9853.

**Champaign-Urbana Coin and Currency Club.** Meetings: First Monday of each month, 7:30 P.M. at the Urbana Civic Center, 108 Water St., Urbana, Illinois. Information: Clyde Sweet, P.O. Box 1021, Champaign, IL, 61824. Phone: 217-840-2526, email: cwsweet3@msn.com.

**Chicago Coin Club.** Meetings: Second Wednesday of each month, January thru November, 6:45 P.M. at Chicago Bar Association Building, 321 S. Plymouth Court, Chicago, IL 60604 and The Chicago Coin Club holds meetings at several coin and paper money shows. Information: Chicago Coin Club, P.O. Box 2301, Chicago, IL. 60690. Phone 773-878-8979 or email Carl Wolf at carlwolfco@msn.com.

**Club of Illinois Numismatists (C.O.I.N.S. Club).** Meetings: Second Thursday of each month, 7:30 P.M. at the Hazel Crest Park District Community Center, 2600 West 171st Street, Hazel Crest, IL. Information: (Mailing address) C.O.I.N.S. Club, P.O. Box 849, Hazel Crest, IL, 60429.

**Corn Belt Coin Club.** Meetings: First Tuesday of each month, 7:30 P.M. at the Bank of Illinois, 200 W. College Ave., Normal, IL. Information: Phone Jeff Stover 309-532-3205.

**Danville Coin Club.** Meetings: Third Monday of each month, 7:00 P.M. at the Palmer American Bank, Danville, IL. Information: Danville Coin Club, 2816 Baumgart, Danville, IL, 61832. Phone: 217-443-6942.

**Dixon Coin Club.** Meetings: First Tuesday of each month, VFW Post #540, 1560 Franklin Grove Rd., Dixon, IL. 61021. Coin grading at 6:00 P.M. Meeting and auction at 7:00 P.M. Contact Jerry Bartlett, 815-535-8427.

**Dupo Coin Club.** Meetings: Third Monday of each month, 7:00 P.M. at the V.F.W. Hall, 200 N. 5th St., Dupo, IL. Information: Phone James Addington at 618-407-1994.

**Edgar County Coin Club.** Meetings: Third Sunday of each month, 2:00 P.M. at the Chamber of Commerce, 105 N. Central, Paris, IL. Information: Pat Brazelton, 1231 N. High St., Paris, IL, 61944. Phone: 217-463-2217. Email: pbraz@joink.com.

**Elgin Coin Club.** Meetings: First Wednesday of each month, 7:00 P.M. at the Elgin VFW Post at 1601 Weld Road, Elgin, IL. Information: Elgin Coin Club, P.O. Box 561, South Elgin, IL, 60177.



## LOCAL CLUBS

**Fairfield Coin Club.** Meetings: Second Sunday of each Month (Except Sunday of Annual Show), Noon to 3:00 P.M. at Frontier College, (Highway 45-15 West) 2 Frontier Drive, Fairfield, IL. Information: Roberta Marshel R.R.#1 Box 49, Sims, IL, 62886. Phone: 618-599-2393. E-mail: fairfieldcoinclub@gmail.com.

**Hillsboro Hiltop Coin Club.** Meetings: Last Wednesday of each month, 7:30 P.M. (except July) at the Challacombe House, 509 School St., Hillsboro, IL. Information: Hiltop Coin Club, P.O. Box 22, Gillespie, IL, 62033. Email: hiltopccl@yahoo.com.

**Hillside Coin Club.** Meetings: First Monday of each month, 7:00 P.M. at the Hillside Community Center, 1 Lind Street, Hillside, IL. Information: [www.worksandwords.com/hcc](http://www.worksandwords.com/hcc) or visit the Hillside Coin Club Facebook page. Email: hillsidecoinclub@gmail.com.

**Indian Hill Coin Club.** Meetings: Second Wednesday of each month, 8:00 P.M. at the Avon Township Hall, Washington St. in Round Lake Park. Information: Mike Hanninen, 2400 Horeb Ave., Zion, IL, 60099.

**Lake County Coin Club.** Meetings: First Tuesday of each month, 7:00 P.M. at the Gurnee Police Dept., 100 N. O'Plaine Rd., Gurnee, IL, NW corner of Washington and O'Plaine. Information: [www.lakecountycoinclub-il.com](http://www.lakecountycoinclub-il.com). Email: lakecountycoinclub@gmail.com.

**Mattoon Coin Club.** Meetings: First Tuesday of each month, 7:30 P.M., Community Room at the Mattoon YMCA, 221 N. 16th St., Mattoon, IL. Contact: Michael Doran, (217) 663-0276, E-mail: mattooncoinclub@yahoo.com.

**Metro East Coin & Currency Club.** Meetings: Third Tuesday of Sept. thru Nov. and Jan. thru April, 7:30 P.M. Edgemont Bible Church, 5100 N Illinois, Fairview Heights, IL. Information: Metro East Coin & Currency Club, PO Box 23. Belleville, IL, 62222. Email: Johnnywkick@gmail.com.

**Oak Forest Numismatic Society.** Meetings: First Friday of each month, 7:30 P.M. at the Bremen Township Hall, 15350 Oak Park Ave., Oak Forest, IL. Information: OFNS, P.O. Box 287, Oak Forest, IL, 60452.

**Quad-City Coin Club.** Meetings: Third Thursday of each month, 7:30 P.M. at the Garden Center of the Moline Park Board (located off 5th Ave, at 34th St.), Moline, IL. Information: John Brixey, Quad City Coin Club, P.O. Box 332, Moline, IL, 61266.

**Rantoul Coin Club.** Meetings: Second Thursday of each month, 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 P.M. Temporarily at the American Lutheran Church, 500 Church Drive, Rantoul, IL, Information: RCC, 203 E. Campbell St., Rantoul, IL, 61866.

## LOCAL CLUBS

**Rockford Area Coin Club.** Meetings: Third Thursday of each month, 6:00 P.M. at the Loves Park Library, 6340 N. Second St., Loves Park, IL (Just north of Rockford). Information: Don Smith, 100 W. Main, Rockton, IL, 61072, Phone Daytime 815 624-0422.

**Tazewell Numismatic Society.** Meetings: First Thursday of each month at the First United Methodist Church, 1315 Court Street (Across from hospital), Pekin, IL. Time: 7:00 P.M. Information: D. Freidinger, P.O. Box 1203, Pekin, IL 61555-1203. Phone 309-353-6178.

**Wat-cha-kee Coin Club.** Meetings: Second Thursday of each month, 7:00 p.m. (No meeting June, July, or August) at First Methodist Church, 304 S. Fourth, Watseka, IL, Information: Phone Kermit Wasmer at 815-432-4636.

**Will County Coin Club.** Meetings: First Thursday of each month, 7:30 p.m. at the Plainfield Fire Protection District, 15025 S. Des Plaines Road, Plainfield, Illinois (enter through the side door by the parking lot). Information: Mark Wieclaw, 175 W. Wood St., New Lenox, IL, 60451, or phone 815-485-4137.

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